

Irwin Worried By Wakefield's *March 21* Inexperience

Wakefield baseball boss Mort Irwin is growing increasingly alarmed over his lads' lack of "savvy" after his team closed out another long week of training Saturday with a practice game with the Jayvée squad.

"Fundamentally, I think our team is pretty sound," commented the Warrior pilot. "It's become apparent in the past week that we're going to have to emphasize the intellectual side of the game more—such things as throwing to the wrong bases, failing to recognize the type of strategy that a certain situation calls for can be costly against good ball clubs.

"We're going to have to work hard enough to get what few runs we do so we cannot afford to give away anything by being asleep at the switch.

"In most sports players seem to take chalk talks lightly. In our case we're going to have to stress this important part of the game even more, if what I've seen in the last few days is any indication.

"Some of our boys are going to start thinking baseball if we're going to enjoy any kind of success."

Despite Skipper Mort's disappointment over his boys' lack of knowledge, his lads made a good showing Saturday, as well as their opponents; Maynard Haithcock's Jayvee outfit.

Wakefield is still low in hitting, but Henry Mayo, one of Mort's weak hitting outfielders, suddenly began to connect Saturday and met the ball solidly on several occasions. Mayo and six other outfielders are fighting for starting berths and if Henry can continue to wave a big stick he'll rank as a leading candidate.